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**CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER  
37 C.F.R. §1.62**

Prior Application )  
Serial No. 08/402,199 )  
Filed: March 10, 1995 )  
Examiner: E. Cosimano )  
Art Unit: 2414 )

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. §1.62 of prior application Serial No. 08/402,199, filed on March 10, 1995, entitled "FLUID DELIVERY CONTROL NOZZLE" by the following named inventor(s):

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The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

[X] 1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 to §1.18 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2250. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

[ ] 2. Enter the amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_, under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 but unentered in the prior application.

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- [ ] 3. A preliminary amendment is enclosed herewith.
- [X] 4. A check in the amount of \$385.00 is enclosed for the filing fee calculated on the basis of 6 total claims and 2 independent claims as amended at 2 and 3 above.
- [ ] 5. A new oath or declaration is enclosed since this application is a continuation-in-part application which discloses and claims additional matter.
- [X] 6. A Verified Statement that this filing is by a small entity was filed in the parent application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.
- [X] 7. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This application is a continuation application of Serial No. 08/402,199, filed March 10, 1995, now abandoned.
- [ ] 8. Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- [ ] 9. The prior application is assigned of record to \_\_\_\_\_.
- [X] 10. The power of attorney in the prior application is to Kent A. Herink, Brian J. Laurenzo, and Michael C. Gilchrist, The Financial Center, 666 Walnut Street, Suite 2500, Des Moines, Iowa 50309; telephone (515) 288-2500.
- [ ] 11. Also enclosed: Copy of a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time for response filed concurrently in the prior application (Serial No. 08/402,199), with fee of \$465.

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